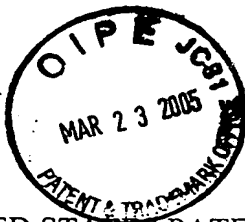


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FOR: COMB FOR APPLYING A
PRODUCT TO KERATINOUS
FIBERS, APPLICATOR SET
EQUIPPED THEREWITH
AND USE OF THIS SET

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PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT

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SIR:

Prior to examination on the merits, please amend the above-identified application as follows:

IN THE CLAIMS

Please cancel Claims 23 and add the following claims:

--24. (New) A comb for applying a product to keratinous fibers, particularly the eyelashes or eyebrows, comprising an arrangement of teeth capable of applying said product, characterized in that said arrangement of teeth is obtained by assembling at least two separate parts.

25. (New) The comb as claimed in claim 24, wherein the two parts are obtained by molding thermoplastic in a single piece and are joined together pivotably by a film hinge.

26. (New) The comb as claimed in claim 25, wherein after molding, the parts are

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